

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE			
<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL – REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b>		Docket Number:	Conf. Number:
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Application Number: 10/632,271	Filing Date: July 31, 2003	Examiner: Elizabeth Houston	Art Unit: 3731
Title: <b>ORIFICE INTRODUCER DEVICE</b>		Applicant(s): Michael P. Whitman et al	

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<p align="center">CERTIFICATE OF ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION</p> <p>I hereby certify that this correspondence is being electronically transmitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office via the Office electronic filing system on <u>September 28, 2009</u>.</p> <p>Signature: <u>/Loretta E. Charles/</u> Loretta E. Charles</p>
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of March 31, 2009, transmitted herewith is a an Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

Applicants hereby request a three-month extension of time for responding to the Office Action March 31, 2009. The extended period of time for response expires on September 30, 2009.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.27, Applicants are no longer qualify for Small Entity Status.

The three-month extension of time fee of \$1,110.00 is being paid by credit card.

No additional fees are believed due. However, if any additional fees are due, the Director is authorized to charge said fees, or credit any overpayment to Kenyon & Kenyon LLP Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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